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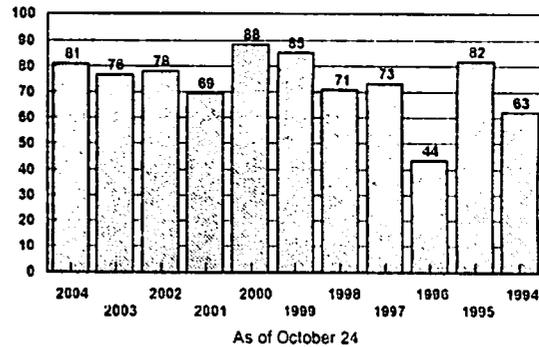
Agricultural Summary

Above normal precipitation last week only allowed for 3.0 days suitable for fieldwork. Heavy rain slowed field work last week, with some corn harvested under muddy conditions. Topsoil moisture was 8 percent short, 73 percent adequate, and 19 percent surplus. Corn harvested was at 81 percent compared to 76 percent last year and 79 percent five-year average. Soybeans harvested was at 81 percent compared to 87 percent last year and 86 percent five-year average. Winter wheat seeded was at 61 percent compared to 73 percent last year and 80 percent five-year average. Winter wheat emerged was at 38 percent compared to 41 last year and 49 percent five year average. In addition to harvest activities, farmers were planting wheat, tilling, applying lime and fertilizer, and caring for livestock.

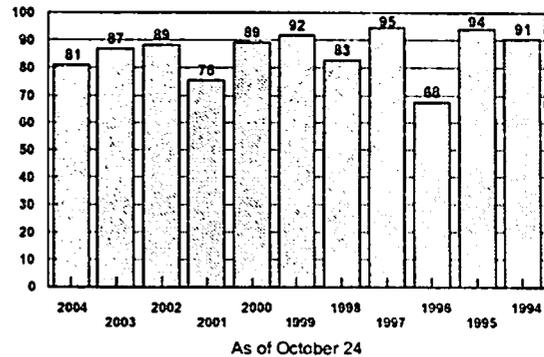
Crop Progress

Crop Stage	2004	2003	5-Year Average
October 24			
CORN:			
Harvested	81	76	79
SOYBEANS:			
Harvested	81	87	86
SORGHUM:			
Harvested	79	46	72
WINTER WHEAT:			
Seeded	61	73	80
Emerged	38	41	49

Corn - Percent Harvested
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Soybeans - Percent Harvested
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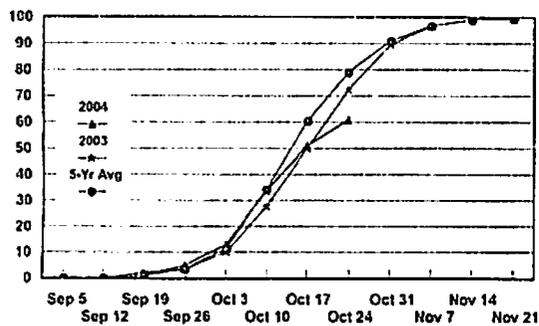
Crop Conditions

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
October 24					
Pasture	2	10	39	42	7

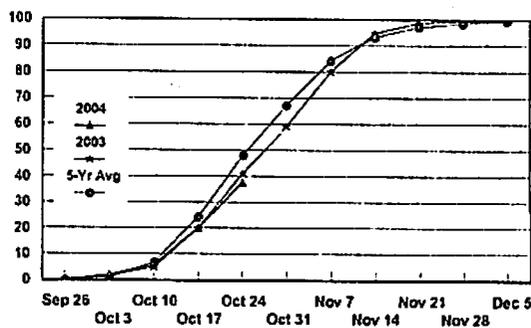
Soil Moisture and Days Suitable for Fieldwork Table

District	Days Suitable for Fieldwork		Topsoil Moisture		
	October 18 - 24	Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Northwest	4.8	-	6	83	11
Northeast	5.4	-	16	84	-
West	2.1	-	2	65	33
Central	2.3	1	16	74	9
East	3.5	-	15	71	14
W Southwest	2.1	2	3	80	15
E Southeast	2.4	-	4	60	36
Southwest	2.2	-	1	62	37
Southeast	1.2	-	2	60	38
State	3.0	-	8	73	19

**Winter Wheat - Percent Seeded
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**Winter Wheat - Percent Emerged
Illinois**



Crop Progress by Districts

District	Corn Harvested	Soybeans Harvested
October 24		
Northwest	57	76
Northeast	55	62
West	79	73
Central	91	83
East	90	92
W Southwest	92	79
E Southeast	91	90
Southwest	92	90
Southeast	97	84
State	81	81

Weather Information Table

Location	Maximum	Temperature Minimum	Departure	Precipitation
October 18 - 24				
Northwest:				
Freeport	73	29	4	1.28
Kewanee	73	30	3	1.20
Moline	74	42	5	1.38
Mount Carroll	72	25	4	1.49
Paw Paw	74	27	4	1.14
Rochelle	73	27	3	1.09
Rockford	73	35	4	0.51
Northeast:				
Aurora	74	33	4	0.98
Chicago	76	36	3	1.18
Lake Villa	72	30	2	1.03
McHenry	74	31	3	1.03
Morris	76	35	4	0.53
Ottawa	77	31	2	0.94
Park Forest	74	30	-1	0.80
West:				
Galesburg	71	41	4	1.71
Prairie City	71	28	2	3.46
Quincy	73	43	4	0.73
Central:				
Bloomington	78	29	-2	1.66
Decatur	77	44	1	1.78
Havana	80	31	2	0.96
Lincoln	79	41	3	1.49
Peoria	76	42	3	0.71
East:				
Champaign	76	41	2	1.76
Pontiac	75	31	2	0.63
West Southwest:				
Carlinville	79	35	0	1.37
Morrisonville	77	30	-1	2.43
Springfield	78	40	3	1.81
East Southeast:				
Effingham	78	30	3	3.04
Flora	75	46	5	3.84
Hutsonville	72	32	3	3.49
Iuka	75	33	2	2.32
Newton	73	34	4	3.29
Paris	71	32	-1	2.64
Windsor	75	44	3	2.20
Southwest:				
Carbondale	79	48	10	1.46
Lebanon	78	37	2	2.15
Steeleville	83	34	-2	2.37
Southeast:				
Benton	76	36	4	2.19
Grayville	73	34	2	3.30
Mt Vernon	72	37	4	2.39

Data is for the weekly period that ends on Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

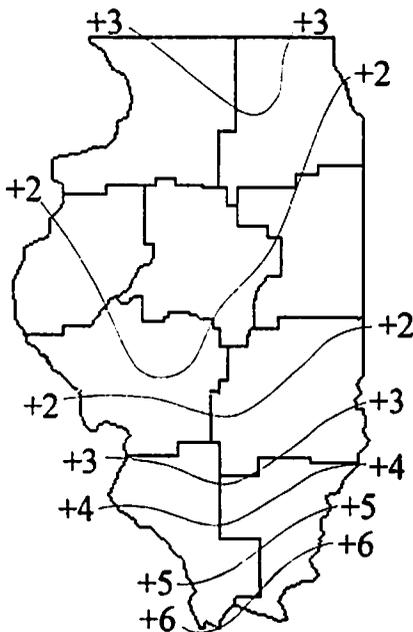
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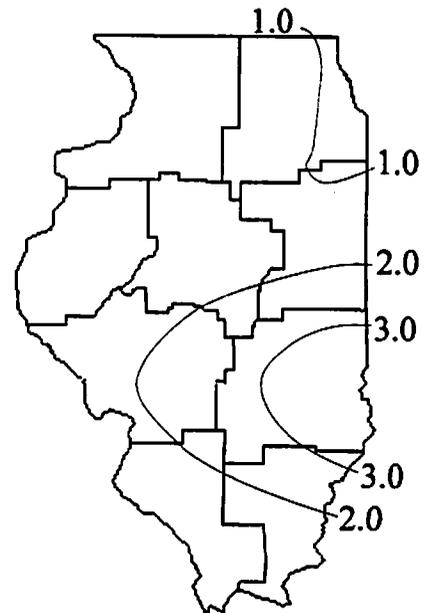
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Temperature (°F) Departure
October 18 - 24



Precipitation (in.) Total
October 18 - 24

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